

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-109 (withdrawn)

110. (currently amended) A computer readable medium containing instructions for generating a request for one or more goods/services to be provided by a seller to a buyer for a project, wherein the project is defined in terms of at least one of or more parameters, by:

defining a project in terms of at least one or more parameters; and

converting the at least one or more parameters into at least one request for goods/services needed to complete the project, the at least one request comprising information derived from the at least one or more parameters, the information comprising at least one datum not among the at least one or more parameters; and

communicating the at least one request

~~wherein the request is utilized by a buyer to communicate the parameters for the~~
project to at least one seller providing the goods/services needed for the project.

111. (original) The computer readable medium of claim 110, wherein the computer readable medium is provided for use in conjunction with at least one project of a type selected from the group consisting of: oil exploration, construction, manufacturing complex objects, and providing specialized services.

112. (original) The computer readable medium of claim 110, wherein the at least one or more parameters further comprise at least one parameter selected from the group consisting of: physical, functional, temporal, financial, transactional, and geographical parameters.

113. (currently amended) The computer readable medium of claim 110, wherein the request is communicated instructions further include communicating the request to the seller via a system accessible via a network connection.

114. (original) The computer readable medium of claim 113, wherein the network further comprises at least one network selected from the group consisting of: the Internet, intranet, private network, public network, local area network, wide area network, and a distributed network.

115. (original) The computer readable medium of claim 114, wherein the network is carried over one or more communication systems selected from the group consisting of: telephony, wireless telephony, satellite, and cable.

116. (currently amended) A computer readable medium containing instructions for generating a response by a seller to at least one request from a buyer for one or more goods/services for a project, by:

preparing a response by the seller, wherein the response responds to a request from a buyer, the request identifying at least one goods/services specified for the project defined in terms of at least one parameter, the request comprising information derived from the at least one parameter, the information comprising at least one datum not among the at least one parameter; and

communicating a response to the buyer;

wherein the request identifies at least one goods/services specified for a project defined in terms of at least one parameters.

117. (original) The computer readable medium of claim 116, wherein the project further comprises at least one project of a type selected from the group consisting of: oil exploration, construction, manufacturing complex objects, and providing specialized services.

118. (original) The computer readable medium of claim 116, wherein the parameters are selected from the group consisting of: physical, functional, temporal, financial, transactional, and geographical parameters.

119. (original) The computer readable medium of claim 116, wherein the instructions further include communicating the response to the buyer via a system accessible via a network connection.

120. (original) The computer readable medium of claim 119, wherein the network further comprises at least one network selected from the group consisting of: the Internet, intranet, private network, public network, local area network, wide area network, and a distributed network.

121. (original) The computer readable medium of claim 120, wherein the network is carried over one or more communication systems selected from the group consisting of: telephony, wireless telephony, satellite, and cable.

Claims 122-163 (withdrawn)

164. (currently amended) A computer readable medium containing instructions for facilitating the matching buyers and sellers for goods/services specified for a project defined in terms of at least one parameter, by:

receiving an identification of a project defined in terms of at least one parameter from a buyer;

converting the project into a request for goods/services, the request comprising information defined from the at least one parameter, the information comprising at least one datum not among the at least one parameter;

communicating the request to a seller; and

communicating a response to the buyer, wherein the response is provided by the seller in response to the request and the response identifies at least one goods/services offered to be provided by the seller to the buyer for the project;

whereupon acceptance of the response by the buyer, a contract for the goods/services specified in the response is formed between the buyer and the seller.

165. (original) The computer readable medium of claim 164, wherein the project further comprises at least one of a type selected from the group consisting of: oil exploration, construction, manufacturing complex objects, and providing specialized services..

166. (original) The computer readable medium of claim 164, wherein the at least one parameter further comprise at least one parameter selected from the group consisting of: physical, functional, temporal, financial, transactional, and geographical parameters.

167. (original) The computer readable medium of claim 164, wherein the request is communicated to the seller and the response is communicated to the buyer via a network selected from the group consisting of: the Internet, intranet, private network, public network, local area network, wide area network, and a distributed network.

168. (original) The computer readable medium of claim 164, wherein the instructions further comprise notifying the seller that a request is available for review, wherein the seller is notified via at least one communication medium selected from the group consisting of: electronic mail, facsimile, page, telephone notification, and a networked notification message.

169. (original) The computer readable medium of claim 164, wherein the instructions further comprise notifying the buyer that a response is available for review,

wherein the buyer is notified via at least one communication medium selected from the group consisting of: electronic mail, facsimile, page, telephone notification, and a networked notification message.

170. (original) The computer readable medium of claim 164, wherein the instructions further comprise entering into negotiations between the buyer and seller regarding at least one term in the response.

171. (original) The computer readable medium of claim 170, wherein the negotiations are conducted electronically over a network connection.

172. (original) The computer readable medium of claim 171, wherein the network connection further comprises at least one network selected from the group consisting of: the Internet, intranet, private network, public network, local area network, wide area network, and a distributed network.